

What is claimed is:

1 A facsimile communications method comprising the steps
of:

5 storing, when initial facsimile transmission is
performed to an opposite party of which a number is
registered corresponding to abbreviated dialing, a
partial step of a pre-communication procedure in
correspondence with the registered number; and
10 reading out a stored content in the second or later
communications to the recorded number and then
allocating said content to said partial step, thus
shortening a required communication time period.

15 2 The method defined in Claim 1, wherein said partial
step comprises a V.8 sequence in an initial identification
phase.

20 3 The method defined in Claim 1, wherein said partial
step comprises a line probing sequence.

4 The method defined in Claim 1, wherein said partial
step comprises an equalizer training sequence.

25 5 A facsimile communications method comprising the steps

of:

storing, when initial facsimile transmission is performed to an opposite party of which a number is registered corresponding to one-touch dialing, a
5 partial step of a pre-communication procedure in correspondence with the registered number; and reading out a stored content in the second or later communications to the recorded number and then allocating said content to said partial step, thus shortening a required communication time period.

10 6 The method defined in Claim 5, wherein said partial step comprises a V.8 sequence in an initial identification phase.

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7 The method defined in Claim 5, wherein said partial step comprises a line probing sequence.

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8 The method defined in Claim 5, wherein said partial step comprises an equalizer training sequence.

25 9 A facsimile machine comprising:

a modem for modulating and demodulating in communications;
an analog circuit for adjusting a modulated/demodulated

signal to a signal level suitable for transmission/reception;

a tone signal detection circuit for detecting a tone signal which cuts a procedure;

5 a trigger signal creation circuit for creating a tone signal which cuts a procedure;

a symbol rate decision circuit for deciding a symbol rate suitable for communications in transmission and deciding a symbol rate to be communicated based on a signal type detected by said tone signal detection circuit in reception;

a data rate decision circuit for deciding whether or not at what data rate communications is conducted;

10 a communication controller for comprehensively controlling communications;

15 a memory for storing abbreviated dial information and required information in correspondence with said abbreviated dial information; and

a network controller acting as an interface to a line.

20 10 The facsimile machine defined in Claim 9, wherein said memory comprises a memory for storing one-touch dial number information and required information in correspondence with said one-touch dial number information.

11 The facsimile machine defined in Claim 9, wherein a required item to be stored in said memory is a symbol rate in a previous communication time to an opposite party specified by said number information.

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12 The facsimile machine defined in Claim 9, wherein a required item to be stored in said memory is a data rate to an opposite party specified by said number information.

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13 The facsimile machine defined in Claim 9, wherein a required item to be stored in said memory is a device state of an opposite party specified by said number information.